

HOUSE RESOLUTION 7019 of the First Extraordinary Session

By Jernigan

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Hip Donelson for ten years of service to the Donelson community.

WHEREAS, we are pleased to recognize those worthy endeavors that seek to improve the quality of life for the residents of their community; and

WHEREAS, Hip Donelson is one such organization, rising from a simple Facebook page to become a thriving community-focused 501(c)(3) entity with a board of directors and numerous volunteers serving the residents of Donelson; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Hip Donelson is to advance the well-being of Donelson's people, pets, neighborhoods, community organizations, and nonprofit organizations through education and service; and

WHEREAS, the late Frank Trew, a founding member and former president of the Hip Donelson board, along with Andrew Bradley and Jeff Syracuse, established a Facebook group to facilitate community engagement, resulting in the birth of Hip Donelson in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Hip Donelson operates five programs, Donelson Neighborhood Watch, Hip Donelson Outdoors, Hip Donelson Community Farmers Market, Hip Donelson Lost & Found Pets, and Red Cross Community Partners Program; and

WHEREAS, over the past ten years, Hip Donelson has been responsible for 190 farmers markets, 2,500 pets helped, 8,000 neighbors on watch, thousands of outdoor miles explored, and 80,000 volunteer hours in the Donelson community; and

WHEREAS, to support its activities, Hip Donelson raises funds through vendor participation at its farmers market and sales of t-shirts and other promotional items, sponsored

by local businesses, with all proceeds going to local, nonprofit organizations serving the Donelson community; and

WHEREAS, the volunteers, organizers, and founders of Hip Donelson have never received compensation for their services to the community; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we recognize this esteemed community organization on this special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we join with the residents of Donelson as they celebrate "Hip Donelson Day" in recognition of Hip Donelson's tenth anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.